

# SUGAR LAND PARKS & RECREATION

Winter/Spring  
**2004**

## WHAT'S NEW

- CITIZEN SURVEY
- ADOPT-A-SPOT
- PARKS AMENITIES

## TROUT STOCKING

Annual event provides months of outdoor fun

## SPECIAL EVENTS

- DADDY-DAUGHTER DANCE
- CONCERT SERIES
- EASTER EGGSTRAVAGANZA
- SENIORS' SPRING FLING

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## OFFICE HOURS

The Parks and Recreation office is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. The Senior Center is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

## UPCOMING HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

The Sugar Land Parks and Recreation offices are closed in observance of these upcoming holidays: Martin Luther King Jr. Day, Good Friday, Memorial Day

## LOCATION

Parks and Recreation Office  
200 Matlage Way

## HOW TO REACH US

Telephone.....281-275-2885  
Fax.....281-275-2891  
E-mail.....www.sugarlandtx.gov

## OUR PLEDGE TO YOU

The Sugar Land Parks and Recreation Department provides programs and activities accessible to citizens with special needs. Those requiring assistance should notify our office at the time of registration or 72 hours prior to the activity.



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The City of Sugar Land and First Colony Community Association have a long-standing partnership to provide additional recreation opportunities to Sugar Land residents. For additional information on these classes, see page 9.

## KEEPING THE CITY CLEAN

The City of Sugar Land and Keep Sugar Land Beautiful are the “dynamic duo” when it comes to cleaning the city. The two groups, along with scores of volunteers, recently held a collection of old batteries, oil, paint and antifreeze. Residents dropped off items while volunteers devoted hours to ensuring that the day was well choreographed for a safe disposal of these toxic materials. Over 885 gallons of latex paint, 60 batteries, 200 gallons of motor oil and two 55-gallon drums filled with oil filters were collected.

Funding for these activities include secured grants, fund-raising events and donations. The **Old West Sporting Clays Tournament**, set for Feb. 13 at the American Shooting Center in west Houston, will be the year’s first fund-raiser. The tournament offers differing levels of sponsorship as well as team participation opportunities. For information about the event, call **281-313-5752**.

If you are interested in learning more about becoming an environmentally-friendly gardener, mark your calendars for several spring classes:

- Tree Care 101 — Jan. 24, 10 a.m. to noon and Feb. 8, 2 to 4 p.m.
- Composting 101 — March 6, 10 a.m. to noon; March 28, 2 to 4 p.m.; April 17, 10 a.m. to noon and April 25, 2 to 4 p.m.
- Vermicomposting 101 — April 29, 7 to 9 p.m.

For additional information, visit the Web site at [www.kslb.org](http://www.kslb.org).

## TROUT STOCKING

*February 4 — Eldridge Park*

Don’t let this one get away! Mark your calendars for the annual trout stocking at the lake in Eldridge Park. This annual event is supported by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department and is always a highlight for area fishermen — from the smallest to the most senior.

A Texas Parks and Wildlife fishing license is required for adults.

## 2 POPULAR PARKS RECEIVE NEW AMENITIES

If you are one of the hundreds of residents who repeatedly take advantage of the popular facilities available at Lost Creek and Oyster Creek Parks, you will be encouraged to know that these locations are going to receive new additions guaranteed to provide improvement.

**Oyster Creek Park**, which is the scene of many city-wide functions as well as daily use for residents for everything from exercising to enjoying the serenity, is going to receive additional parking, permanent restrooms and a stage cover added to the amphitheater.

The inclusion of a BMX bicycle course at **Lost Creek Park** is sure to attract the younger generation. Teens can enjoy this highly popular sport. This new facility will be located away from the trails and soccer fields to avoid conflict of use times and is sure to become a highlight for area teens.

## ADOPT-A-SPOT

*Organizations  
support, show pride  
in community*

If your club, organization or church group would like to become involved in a civic project with far-reaching community support, the Sugar Land Public Works Department has the perfect solution — The Adopt-A-Spot program.

Volunteers can adopt a variety of public areas, including one of the City’s many community or pocket parks. Some areas are larger and more heavily used than others, and organizations can choose the level of commitment they would like to make based on the area.

Volunteer groups pledge to help with upkeep of the adopted site for at least one year.

Group members choose their top three sites from the list of locations currently available.

Every effort is made to provide at least one of the top three choices.

The frequency of clean-up required in an area is determined by city personnel and varies from location to location.

Signs announcing a group’s adoption are clearly visible for public viewing.

If your group is interested in the Adopt-A-Spot program, contact **Cindy Stanfield** at **281-275-2450** or e-mail [solidwaste@sugarlandtx.gov](mailto:solidwaste@sugarlandtx.gov).

*[www.sugarlandtx.gov](http://www.sugarlandtx.gov)*



# Special event

## MARK YOUNG

2nd Annual

### Daddy-Daughter *date night*

Feb. 13

7 to 8:30 p.m.  
\$10 couple  
\$3 extra child

Sugar Land  
Community  
Center

Show the young lady in your life just how important she is by inviting her to a special evening out. Dads, grandfathers, uncles and older brothers can treat their youngest sweethearts, ranging from four to 11 years old, to a night of fun and dancing. Refreshments are served, and each couple receives a complimentary photo.



Reservations by Feb. 6 are required and can be made at the Sugar Land Parks and Recreation office located at 200 Matlage Way.

## EASTER *eggstravaganza*

- Egg Hunts by age group beginning at 12:30 p.m. for 4 year olds
- Haystack Hunt for 3 years and younger
- Visit the Easter Bunny
  - Juggler, Magician
- Face Painting *nominal charge*
  - Games
- Contests for Kids
  - Petting Zoo
  - Hay Ride
- Concessions Sold
  - Fire Truck

No admission fees. There is a small charge for photographs with the Easter Bunny, but parents are invited to bring cameras.



# events OUR CALENDAR

GROOVIN' ON A SUNDAY AFTERNOON

What could be more fun than a lazy afternoon filled with music, laughter and a beautiful setting? Join us this spring as the Concert in the Park series begins the new season. With an outstanding variety of music on the lineup, you are guaranteed to have a great start to the week. Pack a picnic or just come on down with a blanket or lawn chairs for an afternoon to remember.

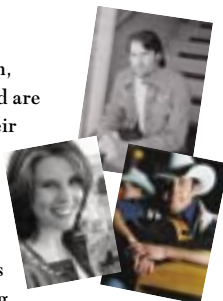
## BAYOU ROUX APRIL 18

Bayou Roux includes a gumbo consisting of Cajun commotion through sights and sounds. Feel the flavor of spicy Cajun flavored two steps, zydeco shuffles, R&B favorites, country, rock and roll, traditional Cajun waltzes and swamp pop classics.



## ACOUSTIC SHOW APRIL 25

Aaron Watson, Tracie Lynn, Dub Miller and Deryl Dodd are sure to please you with their individual styles of great music. Watson is stirring things up with new release, *Shut Up and Dance*. Miller writes songs that tell stories about living and that are true to Texas. Dodd grew up with music — gospel, country, bluegrass and rock 'n roll. Lynn has recently released her second album, *Girl Talk*.



## ROUTE 66 MAY 2

Route 66 provides versatility — Motown, rock, rhythm and blues, pop and country musical favorites. They play the music people love. Don't make a wrong turn — stay with Route 66.



## LONESTAR BLUEGRASS MAY 9

Lonestar Bluegrass has some great albums, *Wayfarin' Stranger*, *Going Up the Country* and a new CD entitled *The Best of Times*. Their music will have you tappin' your toes and clapping your hands. They represented Houston at the American Festival in Chiba, Japan and also performed at the Bluegrass Festival there.



## STEPHEN BROWN MAY 16

Stephen Brown grew up listening to Merle Haggard, Hank Williams and George Strait. He began performing as a four-year-old. This Katy native is a winner when it comes to performing.



## ZION REGGAE MAY 23

Perhaps no other music offers such a soul-touching melody as Reggae, and Zion is sure to bring you a wonderful evening of traditional Reggae music. This band is regularly heard at the Kemah Boardwalk and often participates at the Bob Marley Festival and the Houston International Festival.



## 2<sup>nd</sup> annual

# Get Fit FORT BEND Health Fair

Saturday, January 17  
8:30 to 11 a.m.

First Colony Conference Center  
3232 Austin Parkway

### Enjoy Free Events

- Jazzercise class - 9 a.m.
- ID cards for children by the Sugar Land Police Department

### Health Screenings

- Body Fat Testing — \$12
- Cholesterol Testing — \$10
- Bone Density Testing — \$25

### Browse Displays

- Boutique on the Go — the latest in fitness apparel
- RYKA shoes
- Trinkets to Treasure jewelry

*Sponsored by Fort Bend Jazzercise  
& Sugar Land Parks and Recreation*

OYSTER CREEK PARK • 5 P.M.



# Leisure Classes

## for Winter and Spring

just for kids, youth



### Flamenco

Flamenco, a type of dance that comes from Spain, stresses footwork, hand and arm coordination and skirt movement as integral elements. This class is ongoing. Experience is required for the Intermediate class. A minimum of three students must register by the first of each month.

#### Beginning

When: Wednesday & Thursday  
Time: 6:15 to 7:15 p.m.  
Where: Lost Creek Community Center  
Instructor: Yvonne Robertson  
Ages: 10 to 18 years  
Fee: \$70 for 8 classes

#### Intermediate (Experience Required)

When: Tuesday & Thursday  
Time: 5 to 6 p.m.  
Where: Lost Creek Community Center  
Instructor: Yvonne Robertson  
Ages: 10 to 18 years  
Fee: \$70 for 8 classes

### Ballet/Flamenco

This ongoing combination class for beginners highlights techniques and terminology of both ballet and flamenco dance. A minimum of three students must register by the first of each month.

When: Tuesday & Thursday  
Time: 4 to 5 p.m.  
Where: Lost Creek Community Center  
Instructor: Yvonne Robertson  
Ages: 3 to 7 years  
Fee: \$65 for 8 classes

### Karate

Karate is a sport, self-defense technique and confidence builder. Uniforms can be purchased from the instructor for \$30. A minimum of five students must register one week prior to first class.

#### Session I

When: Tuesdays, Jan. 13 – March 30  
No class March 16  
Time: 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.  
Where: Eldridge Community Center  
Instructor: Bill Gray  
Ages: 6 to 12  
Fee: \$30

### Fencing

Join us for Olympic style fencing. Have fun while getting a great workout. All equipment is provided. A minimum of five students must register one week prior to first class.

When: Wednesdays, Jan. 7 - May 26  
Time: 7 to 8 p.m.  
Where: Sugar Land Community Center  
Instructor: Bayou City Fencing Academy  
Ages: 10 years to adult  
Fee: \$70 per month

#### Home School Fencing

When: Fridays, Jan. 9 – May 28  
Time: Noon to 1 p.m.  
Where: Sugar Land Community Center  
Instructor: Bayou City Fencing Academy  
Ages: 10 years to adult  
Fee: \$70 per month

## TEENS TOO!

### Tai Chi

If you are looking for a relaxing exercise program, look no further. The fluid movements of Tai Chi are designed to distribute chi throughout the mind and body. This ongoing class must have a minimum of three students registered by the first of each month.

#### Beginning

When: Mondays & Wednesdays  
Time: 9 a.m. or 7 p.m. (Wednesday only)  
Where: Sugar Land Community Center  
Instructor: Donna Kish  
Ages: 14 years to adult  
Fee: \$7 per morning class,  
\$10 per evening class

#### Intermediate

When: Mondays & Wednesdays  
Time: 10 a.m.  
Where: Sugar Land Community Center  
Instructor: Donna Kish  
Ages: 14 years to adult  
Fee: \$7 per class

## ADULTS

### Line Dance

This class is a great way to have fun and make new friends. Learn many different dance steps performed to a variety of music in this ongoing class. A minimum of five students must register by the first of each month.

When: Wednesdays  
Time: 2 to 4 p.m.  
Where: Sugar Land Community Center  
Instructor: Bob Bedient  
Ages: Adult  
Fee: \$15 per month

## TEENS TOO!

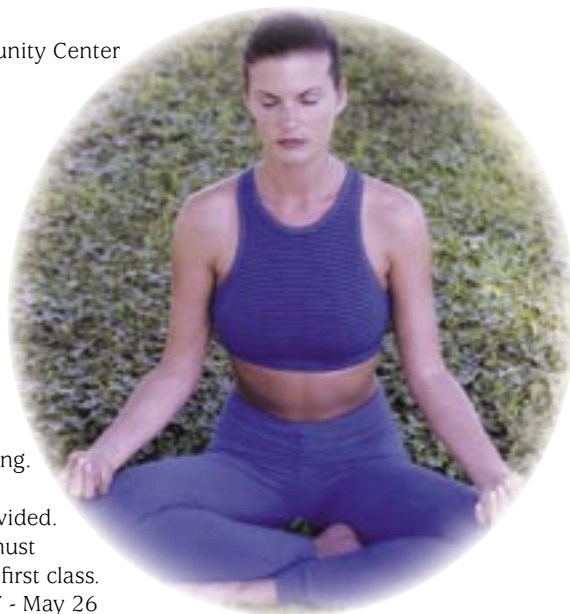
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## TEENS TOO!

### Yoga

Receive the health benefits of stretching, proper breathing and meditation through the study of yoga. Bring a small towel or yoga mat for this ongoing class. A minimum of five students must register by the first of each month.

When: Tuesdays & Thursdays  
Time: 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.  
Where: Sugar Land Community Center  
Instructor: Carmen Davis  
Ages: 16 years to adult  
Fee: \$40 per month if attending twice a week,  
\$25 per month if attending once a week

### Karate

Karate is a sport, self-defense technique and a confidence builder. Uniforms can be purchased from the instructor for \$30. A minimum of five students must register one week prior to the first class.

When: Tuesdays, Jan. 13 - March 30  
No class March 16.  
Time: 7:30 to 8:30 p.m.  
Where: Eldridge Community Center  
Instructor: Bill Gray  
Ages: 13 years to adult  
Fee: \$30



## TEENS TOO!

## ADULTS

### Jazzercise

Jazzercise combines a great cardiovascular workout with resistance training and stretching that increases your muscle tone, flexibility, balance, strength and endurance using easy-to-follow movements. Babysitting available. Classes are held at First Colony Conference Center.

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
8:15		8:15 STEP		8:15	8:00 STEP
9:30		9:30	9:30	9:30 STEP	9:00
4:30		4:30		4:30 JUNIOR	
5:40	5:40	5:40 JUNIOR	5:40	5:40	

For additional information, contact Kristi at 281-437-7157 or visit the Web site at [www.fortbendjazz.com](http://www.fortbendjazz.com).

## Dog Obedience Classes

Do you feel like your dog is training you, instead of you training him? These classes teach you and your dog the basic commands of sit, stay, to come when called and to walk on a leash without pulling. Positive reinforcement is used to prevent or solve behavior problems. Puppies must have had their second set of shots. Leave your dog at home on the first day of class and bring the dog's vaccination records. Class size is limited to eight. A minimum of five students must register one week prior to first class.

### Puppy Preschool & Basic I

When: Tuesdays,  
Jan. 6 - Feb. 10, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.  
Wednesdays,  
Jan. 7 - Feb. 11, 10 to 11 a.m.  
Tuesdays, Feb. 24 - March 30,  
6:30 to 7:30 p.m.  
Wednesdays, Feb. 25 - March 31  
10 to 11 a.m.

Where: Sugar Land Community Center  
Instructor: Beverly Hebert  
Ages: 16 years to adult  
Fee: \$85

### Basic II

When: Tuesdays, Jan. 6 - Feb. 10 or  
Feb. 24 - March 30  
Time: 8 to 9 p.m.  
Where: Sugar Land Community Center  
Ages: 16 years to adult  
Fee: \$85



TEENS TOO!

## College Funding

Invest with your child's future in mind. How much should be saved? Where to invest? Are there ways to reduce taxes on college funds? Learn about various college funding techniques to get you and your child ready for the future. A minimum of five students must register one week prior to first class.

When: Feb. 2  
Time: 7 to 8:30 p.m.  
Where: Lost Creek Community Center  
Instructor: Eva Zubel  
Ages: Adult  
Fee: \$15

## Investing in Your Future

How are your retirement funds invested? How much risk are you taking in this volatile market? Are you saving enough for retirement or your child's college? Are you getting the most out of your employer's benefits? This class covers these topics and more regarding your financial future. A minimum of five students must register one week prior to first class.

When: Jan. 26  
Time: 7 to 8:30 p.m.  
Where: Lost Creek Community Center  
Instructor: Eva Zubel  
Ages: Adult  
Fee: \$15

ADULTS

## Estate Planning

Get your estate in order now so you can stop worrying about the future. Minimize taxes and maximize flexibility to keep the entire family financially secure. A minimum of five students must register one week prior to first class.

When: Feb. 9  
Time: 7 to 8:30 p.m.  
Where: Lost Creek Community Center  
Instructor: Eva Zubel  
Ages: Adult  
Fee: \$15

ADULTS

# 2 ways register

for classes on pages 6 to 8

## WALK-IN OR TELEPHONE

Registration fees may be paid in person or by telephone with MasterCard or Visa by calling 281-275-2885.

To pay in person, Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., come to the Sugar Land Parks and Recreation office at 200 Matlage Way.

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- For refunds, call 281-275-2885.
- A minimum \$25 fee will be assessed on all returned checks.
- If a class has not met minimum enrollment five days prior to start date, the class may be cancelled. Programs have a maximum enrollment and are open on a first come, first serve basis.
- Some programs and opportunities may require residency. A resident resides within the Sugar Land city limits. A current driver's license or unpaid City of Sugar Land water bill will be required to show proof of residency.
- Sugar Lands Parks and Recreation reserves the right to cancel, combine or change the time, date or location of any program.

*We accept MasterCard, Visa, checks and cash.*



## Gymnastics

When: Tuesdays  
Time: 5 to 5:45 p.m.,  
Ages 3-4  
5:45 to 6:30 p.m.,  
Ages 5 - 12  
Where: Aquatic Center  
Instructor: Ryan Lee  
Fee: \$40 per month

## Tap, Ballet & Jazz

Techniques in tap, ballet and jazz.  
When: Session I, Tuesdays  
Time: 5:30 to 6:15 p.m.,  
Ages 6 - 12 years  
6:15 to 7 p.m.,  
Ages 3 - 5 years  
Where: Colony Grant Clubhouse  
  
When: Session II, Wednesdays  
Time: 5:30 to 6:15 p.m.,  
Ages 3 - 5 years  
6:15 to 7 p.m.,  
Ages 6 - 8 years  
7 to 7:45 p.m.,  
9 years and older  
Where: Aquatic Center  
Instructor: Kim Goodwin  
Fee: \$40 per month

## Mad Science Camp

Mad Science sparks the imagination and curiosity by providing fun, interactive and educational activities.  
When: Tuesdays, Jan. 20 - March 9  
Time: 4 to 5 p.m.  
Where: Aquatic Center  
Ages: Kindergarten - Grade 5  
Instructor: Mad Science of Houston  
Fee: \$105 per session

## Schoolhouse Chess – **NEW!**

This class teaches chess and its academic and social benefits.  
When: Tuesdays, Jan. 20 - March 9  
Time: 4 to 5 p.m.  
Where: Aquatic Center  
Ages: Kindergarten - Grade 5  
Instructor: Mad Science of Houston  
Fee: \$105 per session

## Rock, Paper, Scissors- **NEW!**

Your child learns to draw and paint in a fun, creative atmosphere.  
When: Mondays, Jan. 26 - April 19  
No class Feb. 16, March 15 & April 12  
Time: 3:15 to 4 p.m.,  
Kindergarten - Grade 2  
Mondays, 4:15 to 5 p.m.,  
Grades 3 - 6  
Where: Aquatic Center  
Instructor: Javonne Gilmore  
Fee: \$96 per semester

## Spanish Tutoring

This class reviews class material and concentrates on reinforcement. Bring notes and school book.  
When: Saturdays  
Time: 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.  
Where: Aquatic Center  
Ages: Middle and high school  
Instructor: Adriana Gutierrez  
Fee: \$40

## Red Cross Babysitting

Learn about child development, activities for children, handling emergencies and diapering. Bring drink, snack, sack lunch and baby doll. An \$11 required handbook can be purchased the first day of class.  
When: Saturday, Jan. 31 or  
March 6  
Time: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
Where: Aquatic Center  
Ages: 11 years and older  
Instructor: Avant Garde Aquatics  
Fee: \$30 per session

## Spanish for Kids

Your child learns Spanish in a fun interactive way.  
When: Thursdays, 5 to 5:50 p.m.,  
Kindergarten - Grade 2  
Thursdays, 6 to 6:50 p.m.,  
Grades 3 - 5  
Fridays, 10:45 to 11:30 a.m.,  
3 - 4 years old  
Where: Aquatic Center  
Instructor: Adriana Gutierrez  
Fee: \$40 per month

## Social Ballroom Dance Lessons

Learn the basic steps and techniques for the popular ballroom dances.  
When: Fridays, Jan. 9 - 30  
Time: 7 to 8:30 p.m.  
Where: Lost Creek Center  
Ages: 12 years and older  
Instructor: Becky McElroy  
Fee: \$57 couple; \$28.50 single

## Country & Western Dance Lessons

This class covers the basic steps in classic country dance.  
**BEGINNER**  
When: Fridays, Feb. 6 - 27  
Time: 7 to 8:30 p.m.  
Where: Lost Creek Center  
Instructor: Becky McElroy  
Fee: \$57 couple; \$28.50 single

## INTERMEDIATE CLASS

When: Fridays, March 5 - April 2  
No class March 19  
Time: 7 to 8:30 p.m.  
Where: Lost Creek Center  
Instructor: Becky McElroy  
Fee: \$57 couple; \$28.50 single

## Stained Glass for Teens & Adults

Learn the basics — create window panels from planning through assembly to mounting.  
When: Mondays, Jan. 12 - Feb. 19  
Time: 5:30 to 7 p.m.  
Where: Aquatic Center  
Instructor: Sharnha Rodriguez  
Fee: \$90, some supplies included

## Watercolor for Adults

Experience required.  
When: Thursdays, Feb. 5 - March 11  
Time: 9 a.m. to noon  
Where: Sugar Land Community Center  
Ages: 12 years and older  
Instructor: Margaret Su  
Fee: \$100, plus supplies

## Pilates

This class strengthens and lengthens the muscles as well as improving balance, strength and flexibility.  
When: Mondays & Thursdays  
Jan. 26 - March 11 or  
March 22 - May 3  
Time: 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.  
Where: Heritage Colony Clubhouse  
Instructor: Erica MacMillan  
Fee: \$70 for session beginning in January; \$90 for session beginning in March.

## Yoga / Meditation

Yoga techniques help reduce physical, mental and emotional stress.  
When: Wednesdays & Fridays  
Jan. 21 - Feb. 27 or  
March 3 - April 9  
Time: 8:30 to 9:30 a.m.  
Where: Heritage Colony Clubhouse  
Instructor: Maya Mahta  
Fee: \$75 per session or \$140 for both sessions

## Golf Lessons

Lessons cover all the aspects of the golf swing: grip, swing and posture.  
When: Saturdays  
Session I, Jan 10, 17, 24  
Session II, Feb. 7, 14, 21  
Session III, March 6, 13, 20  
Time: 3 to 4 p.m.  
Where: The Training Station  
Ages: 12 years and older  
Fee: \$85 per session

## CPR Certification

When: Feb. 14, April 17 or  
May 22  
Time: 9 a.m. to noon  
Where: Aquatic Center  
Ages: 10 and older  
Instructor: Gail Gould  
Fee: \$35 per session  
  
When: Tuesdays, Jan. 6 - 27  
Time: 7 to 8:30 p.m.  
Where: Aquatic Center  
Instructor: Virginia Davis  
Fee: \$70 plus \$6.95 textbook

## Spanish in a Nutshell – **NEW!**

This course reviews Spanish essentials. Basic knowledge of Spanish is necessary.  
When: Tuesdays, Jan. 6 - 27  
Time: 7 to 8:30 p.m.  
Where: Aquatic Center  
Instructor: Virginia Davis  
Fee: \$70 plus \$6.95 textbook

## Adult Spanish Classes

Learn to speak Spanish.  
When: Beginning, Mondays,  
Jan. 5 - Feb. 23 or  
March 8 - April 26  
Intermediate, Thursdays,  
Jan. 8 - Feb. 26 or  
March 11 - April 29  
Advanced, Wednesdays,  
Jan. 7 - Feb. 25 or  
March 10 - April 28  
Time: 7 to 8 p.m.  
Where: Aquatic Center  
Ages: 14 years and older  
Instructor: Virginia Davis  
Fee: \$55 per session

## Spanish for Professionals

This course guides you through the basics you'll need.  
Day: Fridays, Jan. 9 - 30;  
Feb. 6 - 27 or March 5 - 26  
Time: 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.  
Where: Aquatic Center  
Instructor: Adriana Gutierrez  
Fee: \$55 per session

## Beginning Guitar

Learn music theory and to play a song and sing at the same time.  
When: Tuesdays,  
Jan. 10 - Feb. 10  
No class March 17  
Time: 5 to 6 p.m.  
Where: Aquatic Center  
Instructor: Peter Wang  
Fee: \$75

## Resume Writing

Get feedback on what employers look for today. Bring an old resume or a draft, and learn to create an impressive tool that opens doors.  
When: Feb. 9 or March 25  
Time: 9 a.m. to noon  
Where: Aquatic Center  
Instructor: Darshi Shah  
Fee: \$45 per session

## Interviewing Class

Prepare for interviews.  
When: Jan. 12. or Feb. 26,  
9 a.m. to noon  
March 23, 6 to 9 p.m.  
Where: Aquatic Center  
Instructor: Darshi Shah  
Fee: \$45 per class

## Stamp & Scrapbooking – **NEW!**

Learn to make beautiful greeting cards and scrapbook pages. Bring photos pertaining to the same topic. Supplies may be purchased.  
When: Jan. 13; Feb. 10 or  
March 9  
Time: 6 to 9 p.m.  
Where: Aquatic Center  
Ages: 12 years and older  
Instructor: Larry Bronikowski II  
Fee: \$10

## Memoir Writing

Tell the story of your life — from heartbreaking to humorous, complex or straightforward.  
When: Tuesdays, Feb. 3 - March 2  
Time: 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.  
Where: Heritage Colony Clubhouse  
Ages: Adult  
Instructor: Mara Soloway  
Fee: \$50

## Weight Loss

Learn the healthy way to achieve success in your weight loss program.  
When: Mondays or Wednesdays,  
Jan. 5 - 26; Jan. 7 - 28;  
Feb. 2 - 23 or Feb. 4 - 25  
Time: 6 to 7 p.m.  
Where: Heritage Colony Clubhouse  
Ages: Adult  
Fee: \$60 per session

To register for these classes, call 281-634-9555.

Join the fun  
every day  
of the week

### *Games & More*

Enjoy playing bridge, canasta, shanghai, mah jong, dominoes, pool and more each Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

### *Walking Club*

Join this fun group at the First Colony Mall Food Court every Tuesday and Friday at 8:30 a.m. It's a great way to get some exercise in a safe, climate controlled environment and meet new friends.

### *Line Dancing*

Enjoy fellowship and music while getting a great workout. If you are a beginner or intermediate line dancer, join the Monday group at 10 a.m. Another group meets at 10 a.m. on Thursdays for the intermediate dancer.

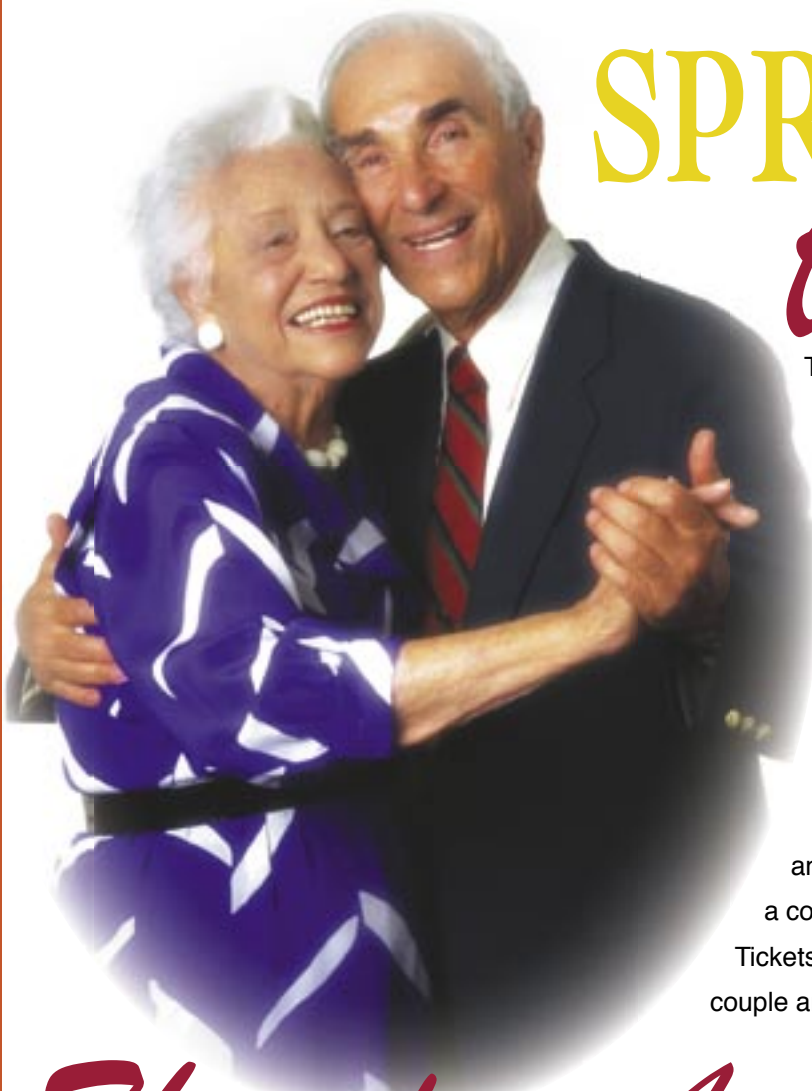
### *Arts & Crafts*

What fun you will have with this group. Whether you are accomplished or just learning new crafts, this group will provide fun and interesting items to make. This group meets Thursdays from 12:30 to 3 p.m.

### *Table Tennis*

Challenge your friends and yourself to a great round of table tennis every Wednesday and Friday from 8 a.m. to noon. Our new ping pong tables provide hours of fun and exercise. Fee is \$3 per person each month.

# *sensation*



## SPRING *fling*

This is one of the most anticipated events of the year — Spring Fling. Enjoy wonderful music for toe-tapping or dancing. It's an afternoon and early evening event you won't want to miss. Refreshments are served.

Advance tickets are available at the Sugar Land Parks and Recreation office for \$5 a couple and \$3 per individual. Tickets at the door will run \$7 a couple and \$4 per individual.

*Thursday, April 22*  
Sugar Land Community Center  
4 to 7 p.m.

### *More fun...*

Along with regular events, there are special days each month in which to participate. There are days scheduled for the latest movie releases, bingo, bunco and pot luck lunches. Dates for these events vary from month to month.

And, away we go...

# SENIORS

events, activities and programs  
for residents 50 years or older

## *Mystery Trip*

**January 23**

There's only one thing you won't know about this trip in advance and that's the destination. Everything else is guaranteed — great friends to travel with, lots of fun seeing the sights and the pure pleasure of having someone else make all the arrangements. Don't miss this exciting opportunity to spend a complete day filled with fun and mystery. Dress is comfortable. Depart at 7:30 a.m.  
Fee: \$35, lunch included



## *The Galleria*

**January 30**

We board up at 9:30 a.m. and head for the Galleria, where shopping, people watching and places to eat are superb. Enjoy a day of shopping with friends without having to fight the traffic or find a parking space.  
Fee: \$10, lunch not included.

## *Kemah*

**February 20**

This is going to be a day packed with so much fun — from the excitement and great food at the Kemah Boardwalk to browsing through the wonderfully quaint shops surrounding this area. We depart at 9 a.m. for a day like you have not enjoyed since you were a child. Reservations begin Jan. 10 at 9 a.m.  
Fee: \$10, lunch not included

## *Austin*

**February 27**

Take an historical journey through Austin — visit the State Capitol, the Bob Bullock Texas State History Museum and LBJ Library. Even for those who have visited these sites before, there is always something new and wonderful to see. We depart at 7:30 a.m. Reservations begin Jan. 17 at 10 a.m.  
Fee: \$20, lunch not included



## *Biloxi*

**March 9 - 11**

So, your first thought was of gambling casinos and a gorgeous hotel, but there's much more to see and do in Biloxi. We visit The Maritime and Seafood Industry Museum, Kessler Air Force Base, the Lighthouse and StennisSphere. And don't forget that we go on a sailing cruise, too. We stay at the beautiful Beau Rivage hotel and have plenty of time to test Lady Luck in the casinos. A \$100 deposit is due at the time of reservations, which have begun.  
Fee: \$400, single; \$350, per person double occupancy



## *Messina Hof Winery*

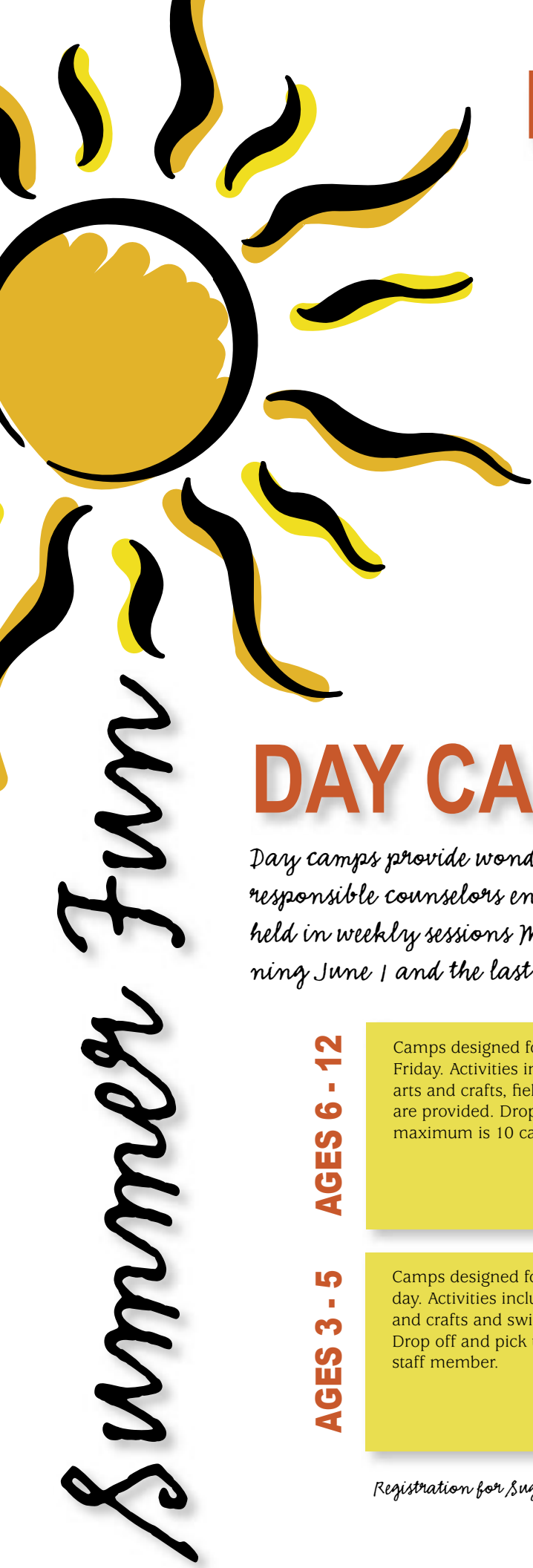
**April 23**

Enjoy a tour of the beautiful Messina Hof Winery — a real pride and joy of Texas wine lovers. We also enjoy this outstanding setting for lunch. We leave at 8 a.m. and guarantee you a day to remember. Watch for additional information in upcoming Sweet Notes, the monthly newsletter for seniors.  
Reservations begin Feb. 7 at 10 a.m.  
Fee: \$35, lunch included

**All activities and times are subject to change.**

*Want to know more about activities and events designed just for seniors?  
Call 281-275-2885 to be placed on the Senior Sweet Notes mailing list.*





# MAKE A SPLASH

*this summer at the Sugar Land Municipal Pool,  
located in City Park at 7th and Wood Streets.*

## *Pool Hours*

The swimming pool opens on weekends beginning May 22 and is open for Memorial Day as well. Daily operations begin May 28. The pool is open Tuesday through Friday from noon to 7 p.m., Saturday and Sunday from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. The pool is closed on Mondays. Holiday hours are from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m.

## *Admission Fees*

Admission is \$1 daily, or 50¢ after 5 p.m. An individual summer season pass is just \$20, and a family season pass is \$45. Thirty-day passes are \$10 per person or \$20 for a family pass.

## *Swim Lessons*

Lessons are taught by certified National Safety Council Learn to Swim instructors. Infant, toddler and preschool classes are held in 30-minute sessions. Lessons for adults and children are 45 minutes. There are four sessions of swim classes—June 8, June 22, July 13 and 27. Registration begins May 3.

# DAY CAMPS for KIDS

*Day camps provide wonderful opportunities for children. Enthusiastic and responsible counselors ensure that your child has a great experience. Camps are held in weekly sessions Monday through Friday, with the first session beginning June 1 and the last session ending Aug. 6.*

## **AGES 6 - 12**

Camps designed for children 6 to 12 years old are held in weekly sessions Monday through Friday. Activities include indoor and outdoor games, educational programs, guest speakers, arts and crafts, field trips and swimming. Campers bring a sack lunch and swimsuit. Snacks are provided. Drop off and pick up is at Sugar Land Community Center. Staff-to-camper ratio maximum is 10 campers per staff member.

**CAMP**  
9 a.m. to 6 p.m.  
\$80 per week

**EXTENDED CAMP**  
7 a.m. to 6 p.m.  
\$90 per week

## **AGES 3 - 5**

Camps designed for children 3 to 5 years old are held in weekly sessions Monday through Friday. Activities include indoor and outdoor games, educational programs, guest speakers, arts and crafts and swimming. Campers bring a sack lunch and swimsuit. Snacks are provided. Drop off and pick up is at Lost Creek Park. Staff-to-camper ratio maximum is 10 campers per staff member.

**CAMP**  
9 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
\$50 per week

*Registration for Sugar Land residents begins Feb. 2. Non-resident registration begins Feb. 9.*

# *the* PLACE *to meet*

Choose one of these beautiful settings for weddings, receptions, birthday parties, family reunions, business conferences, showers, banquets and meetings.

## Duhacsek Park Community Center

17034 Old Richmond Road



Duhacsek Park is graced by a home that can accommodate up to 40 people. It has a full size kitchen, small dining room, living room and restrooms. There is also a wonderful picket-fenced yard surrounded by 50 acres of property filled with mature live oak and pecan trees.

## First Colony Conference Center

3232 Austin Parkway



This facility is located in First Colony Park. With its vaulted cathedral ceiling, the center accommodates up to 125 people. It offers a unique venue for private parties, wedding receptions and dances. Other amenities include a wet bar, refrigerator and microwave oven.

## Sugar Land Community Center

226 Matlage Way



This center includes several use options that are ideal for meetings, classes and conferences. The layout can accommodate up to 600 people in a banquet setting. The large lobby and patio area hold even more guests. A full kitchen makes this setting perfect for a wide variety of festive occasions.

## City Park Community Center

225 Seventh Street



This meeting room provides a wonderful setting for smaller groups of up to 40 people. Large windows, a wet bar with a sink and microwave and restrooms provide a pleasant spot for more intimate gatherings. Located at City Park, this area offers a convenient location.

## Eldridge Community Center

2511 Eldridge Road



This is a great setting for groups of up to 65 people, with a pavilion accommodating up to 100 more guests. Conveniently located adjacent to the playground, there is a small refrigerator, microwave and coffee bar inside. This site is superb for a wide variety of events.

## Lost Creek Community Center

3703 Lost Creek Boulevard



Social and civic events of up to 50 people are perfect at this beautiful setting. Bordered by a heavily landscaped courtyard, the shaded pavilion accommodates up to 100 additional people. A large playground is perfect for children. An event held here makes an impression.

## Oyster Creek Park Amphitheater

4033 State Highway 6 South



This outdoor amphitheater is picture perfect, especially for weddings. The rippling creek, lush landscaping and gorgeous water feature create a magical setting. This location will ensure a day of fantastic memories. There is just no limit to the beauty this location provides for any outdoor event.

*Reserve your location by calling 281-275-2888  
Monday - Friday, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.*

# Sugar Land Parks

## CITY PARK

225 Seventh Street — 19.9 Acres  
Located at Wood and 7th Streets next to Sugar Land Middle School. Parking, Skatepark, Meeting Room, Pool, Five Lighted Baseball Fields, Four Lighted Tennis Courts, Playground, Sand Volleyball, Horseshoe Pits, Pavilion, Concession Stand

## COLONY BEND PARK

2806 Planters Lane — 5 Acres  
Located next to Colony Bend Elementary School at Williams Trace and Austin Parkway. Two Pavilions, Two Playgrounds, Two Game Tables, Sand Volleyball, Park Benches, Drinking Fountains

## COVINGTON WEST PARK

13944 Oakwood Lane — One-half Acre  
From Eldridge Road, take Greenway to Oakwood Lane. Parking, Pavilions, Playground, Half Court Basketball, Park Benches, Drinking Fountain

## DUHACSEK PARK

17034 Old Richmond Road — 50 Acres  
This homestead is filled with huge hand-grafted pecan trees. It holds the third largest pecan tree in Texas. This facility is available for use with groups of up to 40 people. For more details, call 281-275-2888.

## ELDRIDGE PARK

2511 Eldridge Road — 43 Acres  
Located near the intersection of Eldridge Road and West Airport Boulevard. Parking, Meeting Room, Playground, Concession Stand, Pavilion, 10 Soccer Fields, Continuously Stocked Lake, Fishing Pier, Four-tenths Mile Trail, Restrooms

## FIRST COLONY PARK

3232 Austin Parkway — 21.3 Acres  
Located between Williams Trace and Settlers Way near First Colony Middle School. Parking, Conference Center, Seven Lighted Baseball Fields, Two Unlighted Baseball Fields, Batting Cages, Two Concession Stands, Playground, Pavilion, Picnic Tables, Drinking Fountains

## HIGHLANDS PARK

2018 Colonists Park — 5 Acres  
Located next to Highlands Elementary School near Edgewater Drive. Two Pavilions, Three-tenths Mile Jogging Trail, Playground, Sand Volleyball, Horseshoe Pits, Trail with Four Exercise Stations

## IMPERIAL PARK

7720 Highway 90 — 44 Acres  
Located behind the Sugar Land Community Center and the Sugar Land Parks and Recreation Department off of Highway 90. Parking, Meeting Rooms, Nine Softball Fields, Batting Cages, Drinking Fountains, Restrooms

## LONNIE GREEN PARK

130 First Street — 2 Acres  
Located at the corner of First and Woods Streets across from Lakeview Elementary School. Serene Oyster Creek Setting, Playground, Park Benches, Drinking Fountains

## LOST CREEK PARK

3703 Lost Creek Boulevard — 21 Acres  
Located at the end of Lost Creek Drive off of Settlers Way between Highway 6 and Lexington Boulevard. Parking, Large Covered Pavilion, Meeting Room, Concession Stand, Seven Soccer Fields, Playground, Walking Trail, Grills, Park Benches, Drinking Fountains, Restrooms

## MACCO PARK

101 Gillingham — 7.2 Acres  
Gillingham is located between Eldridge Road and Industrial on the north side of Highway 90. Parking, Two Baseball Fields

## MAYFIELD PARK

106 Avenue D — 1.5 Acres  
Located at the corner of Ulrich and Avenue D. Parking, Pavilion, Grills, Playground, Basketball Court, Sand Volleyball, Drinking Fountains

## MEADOW LAKE PARK

1600 Great Oak Lane — 5.1 Acres  
Take First Colony Boulevard to Great Oak Lane. Parking, Covered Pavilion, Soccer Field, Baseball Field, Playground, Two Sand Volleyball Courts, Picnic Tables, Park Benches

## OYSTER CREEK PARK

4033 State Highway 6 South — 108 Acres  
Located on the east side of Highway 6 just south of Settlers Way. Parking, Scenic Water Feature, Park Benches, Performance Stage, Grills, Picnic Tables, Drinking Fountain, One-half Mile Trail Loop

## RON SLOCKETT MEMORIAL PARK

12821 Nantucket — 8.6 Acres  
Nantucket is off of Eldridge Road north of West Airport Boulevard. Parking, Tennis Court, Playground, Basketball Court, Sand Volleyball, Four-tenths Mile Trail, Park Benches, Drinking Fountain, Two Pavilions

## SUGAR LAKES PARK

120 Bayview Drive — 3.6 Acres  
Located just south of Highway 90 on Bayview Drive. Parking, Covered Pavilion, One-quarter Mile Trail, Playground, Sand Volleyball, Park Benches, Drinking Fountains

## SUGAR MILL PARK

13800 Hidden Lakes Lane — 5.3 Acres  
Located at the corner of Drakewood and Hidden Lakes Lane in Sugar Mill Subdivision. Take Jess Pirtle to Oak Knoll and then turn right on Hidden Lakes Lane. Pond, Playground, Sand Volleyball, Horseshoe Pits, Picnic Tables, Pavilion, Drinking Fountains, Park Benches

## THOMAS L. JAMES PARK

201 Venice Street — One-half Acre  
Located at the corner of Guenther and Venice Streets in one of Sugar Land's most scenic and historic areas, this park was recently renamed to honor Thomas L. James. Park Benches



Old Richmond Road

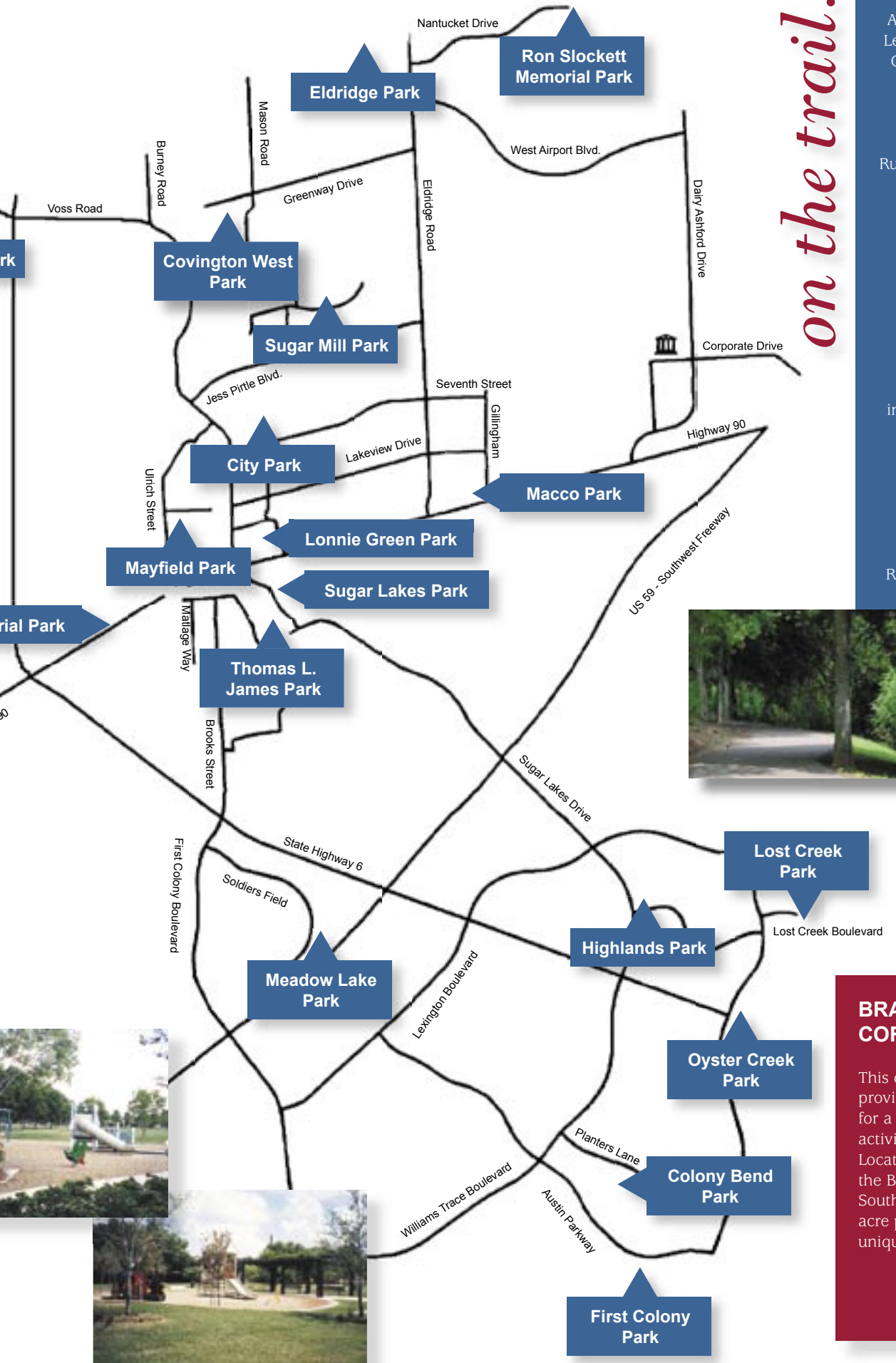
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*on the trail...*



**OYSTER CREEK TRAIL**  
2.25 Miles  
Access from Dulles Avenue, Lexington Boulevard, Oyster Creek Park and Lost Creek Park

**HIKE & BIKE TRAIL**  
1.35 Miles  
Runs from Lonnie Green Park to Sugar Mill Park

**COLONY GRANT TRAIL**  
1 Mile  
Runs from Highway 6 to Austin Parkway along Ditch C

**WOODSTREAM TRAIL**  
1.33 miles  
Runs along Ditch A in Woodstream Subdivision

**LESS THAN 1/2 MILE**  
City Park  
Colony Bend Park  
Eldridge Park  
Highlands Park  
Meadow Lake Park  
Ron Slockett Memorial Park  
Sugar Mill Park  
Sugar Lakes Park

## BRAZOS RIVER CORRIDOR

This outstanding location will provide ample opportunity for a wide variety of outdoor activities when developed. Located on the east side of the Brazos River south of the Southwest Freeway, this 420-acre parkland will retain its unique natural settings.

# LET YOUR VOICE BE HEARD

## *Citizen survey helps plan future parks and recreation facilities and services*

The Sugar Land Parks and Recreation Department is currently working on an upcoming Parks and Recreation and Open Space Master Plan, and we want your input.

This plan addresses future park facilities as well as programming for residents.

Approximately 7,000 Sugar Land homes are receiving questionnaires by random selection, and the response is vital to the planning process.

An especially important function of this survey relates to facilities and services for all age groups. It is our desire to provide excellence for our residents in the planning process, and we value your input greatly.

## *Return your questionnaire*

If your home receives a questionnaire, we ask that you take a few minutes to fill it out and return it. That allows planners to address areas most important to residents, and helps determine the city's direction in the planning process.

Public meetings will be held in early 2004. Check [www.sugarlandtx.gov](http://www.sugarlandtx.gov) for upcoming meetings.



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